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SUBJECT: IRAQI PROTEST TO UK ON HUMANITARIAN AID TO
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1. ACCORDING TO FCO SOURCES, THREE HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATIONS BASED IN UK HAVE SO FAR INDICATED INTEREST IN PLIGHT OF THE KURDS (WHICH HAS BEEN HIGHLIGHTED BY PRESS AND TELEVISION COVERAGE IN UK). THESE ARE "OXFAM," "SAVE THE CHILDREN'S FUND," AND "WAR ON WANT." IRAQI PROTEST (REFTEL) WAS IN CONNECTION WITH MEDICAL GROUP HEADED BY GENERAL SIR ALEXANDER DRUMMOND WHICH WENT INTO IRAN TO ASSESS HEALTH CONDITIONS AMONG KURDS. "WAR ON WANT" HAS JUST SENT REPRESENTATIVE INTO KURDISTAN TO ASSESS FOOD SITUATION.

2. BRITISH EXPECT ANOTHER IRAQI PROTEST. THEY ARE PREPARED TO REACT JUST AS THEY SAY THEIR AMBASSADOR REACTED
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TO PROTEST REPORTED REFTEL: BY NOTING THAT HMG HAS NO

CONTROL OVER ACTIVITIES OF PRIVATE HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATIONS.

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